Weekly Column for April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2005

Happy Spring indeed. It got all the way up to 74 degrees in the City of Troy yesterday; I hope there were no complaints about that. With this warm weather in mind, this week's column is a reminder that spring-cleaning begins next week, and once again we are looking for the cooperation of all residents to ensure it is a success.

The following is a list of bullet points that will help the spring-cleaning go smoothly.

- Become aware of when your area will be cleaned. Check the schedule that will appear
  in the Troy Record every other Saturday, or check out the full 9-week schedule on the
  City website. Most importantly, residents are asked to move their cars when street
  sweeping is scheduled so that the street sweeper and DPW staff can properly clean
  the streets.
- Sweep or wash the sidewalks and rake your lawns before the sweepers come onto your street. Also, sweep the dirt in the curbs and gutters into small piles to help facilitate easy pickup.
- Uncooperative car owners will have their vehicles towed at the owner's expense. All streets will be posted for "No Parking" as required. Please notify DPW (274-TROY) in advance if you know of any abandoned, unregistered or inoperative vehicles.
- Please take a few moments to clean your alley or back yard and cut down any weeds or brush. Please place the material in a biodegradable bag or bundle the brush to facilitate collection.
- Regular refuse collection will be done on a daily basis.

Next week is also pothole week in the City of Troy. There's a chance we may not know where all of the potholes are, so please call and we'll try to get it fixed next week. The number for the DPW garage is 270-4579.

So, remember to check here on the website for the cleaning schedule, or look in The Record over the weekend.

Enjoy your weekend; it is supposed to be beautiful out. If you have any questions, comments, concerns or complaints about the spring-cleaning, or any topic, please do not hesitate to call me at 270-4401 or e-mail me at the Mayor's Office.

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